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MEMORANDUM

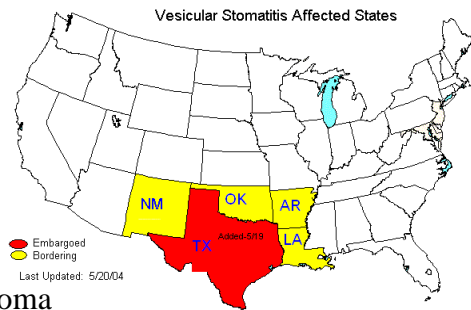
TO: Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas State Veterinarian

FROM: Dr. Robert Stout
State Veterinarian 

CC: State Veterinarians
Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico and Oklahoma

DATE: May 20, 2004

SUBJECT: VSV Embargo



With documentation received late yesterday evening that three animals in Reeves County, Texas have been diagnosed with Vesicular Stomatitis, Kentucky's Administrative Regulation 302 KAR 20:115 now prohibits the entry of all livestock, wild and exotic animals from entering Kentucky from Texas. In addition no livestock, wild or exotic animals which have been in Texas during the previous thirty (30) days will be permitted entry into Kentucky.

Also, 302 KAR 20:115 requires that all equidae entering Kentucky from a state which has a common border with Texas be accompanied upon their entry into Kentucky with a negative test for VSV. The sampling shall be conducted during the thirty (30) day period prior to the animal's entry into Kentucky.

States which are sending equidae into Kentucky that are required to be accompanied with a negative Vesicular Stomatitis test are Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico and Oklahoma